

LUNENBURG BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
May 18, 2015

The Board of Health met at 7:00 pm at the Ritter Memorial Building

Present: George Emond, Perry Jewell, Dave Passios, Paul Fortin

MINUTES APPROVED:

TITLE 5 INSPECTION REPORTS ACKNOWLEDGED:

108 Reservoir Road
54 Chestnut Street
580 Mulpus Road

SEPTIC PERMITS SIGNED:

32 Arbor Street
Elmwood Road, Lot 2
Elmwood Road, Lot 3
37 Goodrich Street

1259 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE

Jonathan Markey as well as Josh Brianas met with the Board. Mr. Markey advised that he has redesigned the plan and both the proposed building and existing building will now be served by the well and public water will be disconnected from the existing structure. Mr. Markey is requesting a well variance: distance from a property line from fifty (50) feet to (25) feet.

Agent Jim Garreffi advised that he does not see a problem with the granting of this variance with the following three conditions:

1. That the well does not negatively affect the abutter.
2. The Lunenburg Water District certifies that the current connection to the District system has been disconnected from the existing building.
3. The engineer provides a revised septic plan showing town water being disconnected from the existing building.

Public sewer is available to the abutting property.

Chairman Emond suggested that if, at any time, the abutter needs the use of the 25 feet, then an agreement must be reached or the well discontinued. A release from the current property owner of the abutting property will eliminate this condition. David Passios clarified that this is an either/or situation. Either the owner of 1259 Massachusetts Avenue obtains a release from the current owner of the adjoining property if at any time in the future, that owner needs the use of the 25 feet lost because of this variance, use of the well would be discontinued and a connection to the Water District would be made.

After discussion and on Motion my Passios and second by Jewell, the variance was approved with the above condition. All in favor.

SHADY POINT BEACH PORTA POTTY REQUEST

The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the annual request for the use of portable facilities at Sandy Point Campground.

SEPTIC SYSTEM GRANT

Chairman Emond discussed the history of this grant. At this point in time there are two options for the use of this money, either in the repair/ maintenance of a current system or in the re-loaning of the funds to Lunenburg town residents. In addition, management of the grant can be internal or through an outside agency.

Dave Passios discussed the criteria for lending the money to residents, as follows:

1. Defining a needs area
2. Establishing income criteria
3. Whether the program would include utilizing the funds for tie into sewer.
4. Loan would be repaid on conveyance.
5. There must a Title 5 Inspection completed showing a failed system and certified by the Board of Health.
6. If sewer connection where included in the loan program, betterment fees could not be included.

After discussion, Chairman Emond appointed Dave Passios to do further investigation and report back to the board at their next scheduled meeting on June 1, 2015.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm